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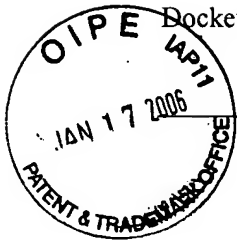
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Respectfully submitted,
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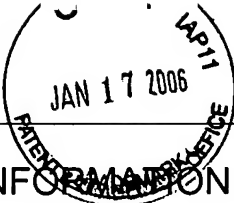
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Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1	3,913,158	10/21/1975	Vilarrubis	
	2	* 6,712,656	03/30/2004	McCarthy	
	3	* 6,719,599	04/13/2004	McCarthy	
	4	* 6,843,693	01/18/2005	McCarthy	
	5	* 6,884,134	04/26/2005	McCarthy	
	6	* 6,884,136	04/26/2005	McCarthy	
	7	* 6,918,805	07/19/2005	McCarthy	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	8	WO 01/85267	11/15/2001	PCT		
	9	EP 1 082 975	03/14/2001	Europe		

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ¹
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CO-PENDING U.S. PATENT APPLICATIONS COMMONLY OWNED WITH THE PRESENT APPLICATION

EXAMINER NOTE: Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to consider whether the claims of any one or more of the following copending U.S. patent applications (which are commonly owned with the present application) create any issues of double patenting (and/or any other issues relating to patentability) with respect to any of the claims of the present application.

SPECIFICATION AND DRAWINGS: The section below indicates where the Examiner may find a copy of the specification and drawings of each cited co-pending application. For those cited copending applications which have been published, the corresponding U.S. Patent Application Publication is listed. For those listed copending applications which have not been published, but which have a published or issued counterpart application with a substantially similar specification and drawings, a U.S. Patent Application Publication or U.S. Patent corresponding to the published or issued counterpart is listed. For all other unpublished copending applications, a copy of the specification and drawings is enclosed where indicated.

CLAIMS: In view of the anticipated lapse of time between the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and the Examiner's consideration of the information cited herein, Applicant has not submitted herewith copies of the currently-pending claims of the copending applications listed herein. Notwithstanding the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), Applicant respectfully submits that a more accurate examination can be facilitated by obtaining current claim sets from the USPTO's electronic file system. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to obtain the current claims of the listed copending applications from the USPTO's electronic records when the Examiner considers the copending applications cited herein.

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Serial No.	Filing Date MM-DD-YYYY	Title	Inventor(s)	Atty. Docket No.	Spec. & Dwgs.
	10	11/107,521	04/15/2005	Methods for Creating Consistent Large Scale Blade Deflections	McCarthy	NATURES.015C4	2005/0181689
	11	10/877,969	06/25/2004	Methods for Creating Consistent Large Scale Blade Deflections	McCarthy	NATURES.018C1	2005/0003719
	12	10/606,265	06/25/03	High Efficiency Tip Vortex Reversal and Induced Drag Reduction	McCarthy	NATURES.024A	2004/0061029
	13	11/103,215	04/11/2005	High Deflection Hydrofoils and Swim Fins	McCarthy	NATURES.025C1	2005/0176318
	14	11/045,521	01/28/2005	Dual Adjustable Strap Designs For Swim Fins	McCarthy	NATURES.027C1	2005/0186866

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